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June 30, 2016

Community & Economic Development Department
C.E. "Chip" Vincent, Administrator

Washington State
Department of Ecology
Environmental Review Section
PO Box 47703
Olympia, WA 98504-7703

Subject: ENVIRONMENTAL (SEPA) THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

Transmitted herewith is a copy of the Environmental Determination for the following project reviewed by the Environmental Review Committee (ERC) on June 27, 2016:

SEPA DETERMINATION: Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)
PROJECT NAME: King County PSERN Emergency Communications Tower Extension
PROJECT NUMBER: LUA16-000418, ECF, SA-H, CU-H, V-H

Appeals of the environmental determination must be filed in writing on or before 5:00 p.m. on July 15, 2016, together with the required fee with: Hearing Examiner, City of Renton, 1055 South Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057. Appeals to the Examiner are governed by RMC 4-8-110 and information regarding the appeal process may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, (425) 430-6510.

Please refer to the enclosed Notice of Environmental Determination for complete details. If you have questions, please call me at (425) 430-6593.

For the Environmental Review Committee,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Herrera", written over a horizontal line.

Matt Herrera
Senior Planner

Enclosure

cc: King County Wastewater Treatment Division
Boyd Powers, Department of Natural Resources
Karen Walter, Fisheries, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
Melissa Calvert, Muckleshoot Cultural Resources Program
Gretchen Kaehler, Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation

Ramin Pazooki, WSDOT, NW Region
Larry Fisher, WDFW
Duwamish Tribal Office
US Army Corp. of Engineers

ENVIRONMENTAL (SEPA) DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

PROJECT NUMBER: LUA16-000418, ECF, SA-H, CU-H, V-H

APPLICANT: Sarah Teleschow, Odelia Pacific Corporation, 5506 6th Ave South,
Seattle, WA 98108

PROJECT NAME: King County PSERN Emergency Communication Tower Extension

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant is requesting Hearing Examiner Site Plan Review, Conditional Use Permit, Variance, and Environmental Threshold Determination (SEPA) for a proposed 25-foot height increase and associated improvements to an existing 150-foot emergency communications tower. The proposal would result in an overall tower height of 175-feet with an antenna and lighting rod extension extending to 193-feet. The project site is the King County Office of Emergency Management located at 3511 NE 2nd Street. The project site is within the Light Industrial (IL) zoning district.

The proposed communications tower improvements are a component of the Puget Sound Emergency Radio Network (PSERN) project intended to replace and upgrade the existing regional emergency network used to reach and coordinate emergency responders. Additional improvements to the communications tower include six (6) microwave dishes and two (2) antennas. Equipment and HVAC upgrades will occur within interior of the existing emergency management building. The proposed tower extension and antennas are proposed to be painted to closely match the existing facility.

PROJECT LOCATION: 3511 2nd St, Renton, WA 98056

LEAD AGENCY: City of Renton
Environmental Review Committee
Department of Community & Economic Development

The City of Renton Environmental Review Committee has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This Determination of Non-Significance is issued under WAC 197-11-340. Because other agencies of jurisdiction may be involved, the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen (14) days.

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PUBLICATION DATE: July 1, 2016

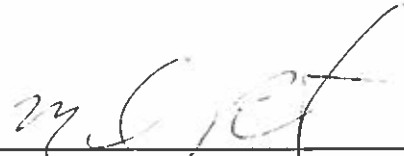
DATE OF DECISION: June 27, 2016

SIGNATURES:



Gregg Zimmerman, Administrator
Public Works Department

6/27/16
Date



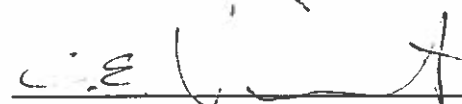
Mark Peterson, Administrator
Fire & Emergency Services

6/27/16
Date



Kelly Beymer, Administrator
Community Services Department

6/27/16
Date



C.E. "Chip" Vincent, Administrator
Department of Community &
Economic Development

6/27/16
Date

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NOTICE

OF ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION
ISSUANCE OF A DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
POSTED TO NOTIFY INTERESTED PERSONS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

PROJECT NAME: King County PSERN Emergency Communications Tower Extension
PROJECT NUMBER: LUA16-000418, ECF, SA-H, CU-H, V-H
LOCATION: 3511 2nd St
DESCRIPTION: THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING HEARING EXAMINER SITE PLAN REVIEW, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, VARIANCE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL THRESHOLD DETERMINATION (SEPA) FOR A PROPOSED 25-FOOT HEIGHT INCREASE AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS TO AN EXISTING 150-FOOT EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TOWER. THE PROPOSAL WOULD RESULT IN AN OVERALL TOWER HEIGHT OF 175-FEET WITH AN ANTENNA AND LIGHTING ROD EXTENSION EXTENDING TO 193-FEET. THE PROJECT SITE IS THE KING COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LOCATED AT 3511 NE 2ND STREET. THE PROJECT SITE IS WITHIN THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (IL) ZONING DISTRICT.
THE PROPOSED COMMUNICATIONS TOWER IMPROVEMENTS ARE A COMPONENT OF THE PUGET SOUND EMERGENCY RADIO NETWORK (PSERN) PROJECT INTENDED TO REPLACE AND UPGRADE THE EXISTING REGIONAL EMERGENCY NETWORK USED TO REACH AND COORDINATE EMERGENCY RESPONDERS. ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE COMMUNICATIONS TOWER INCLUDE SIX (6) MICROWAVE DISHES AND TWO (2) ANTENNAS. EQUIPMENT AND HVAC UPGRADES WILL OCCUR WITHIN INTERIOR OF THE EXISTING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUILDING. THE PROPOSED TOWER EXTENSION AND ANTENNAS ARE PROPOSED TO BE PAINTED TO CLOSELY MATCH THE EXISTING FACILITY.

THE CITY OF RENTON ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ERC) HAS DETERMINED THAT THE PROPOSED ACTION DOES NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

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A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE RENTON HEARING EXAMINER AT HIS REGULAR MEETING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE 7TH FLOOR OF CITY HALL, 1055 SOUTH GRADY WAY, RENTON, WASHINGTON, ON JULY 26, 2016 AT 12:00 PM TO CONSIDER THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT, SITE PLAN REVIEW AND VARIANCE. IF THE ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION IS APPEALED, THE APPEAL WILL BE HEARD AS PART OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING.



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF RENTON, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AT (425) 430-7200.

DO NOT REMOVE THIS NOTICE WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORIZATION

PLEASE INCLUDE THE PROJECT NUMBER WHEN CALLING FOR PROPER FILE IDENTIFICATION.